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CFR Code of Federal Regulations

COC Chain-of-Custody
FSP Field Sampling Plan
NCP National Contingency Plan
OSC On-Scene Coordinator

PPE Personal Protective Equipment
QAPP Quality Assurance Project Plan
QA/QC Quality Assurance/Quality Control

RAT Rapid Assessment Tool

SOP Standard Operating Procedure

START Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team

TAL Target Analyte List

TCLP Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedures

TDD Technical Direction Document

U.S. EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

VSP Visual Sampling Plan WESTON Weston Solutions, Inc. XRF X-Ray Fluorescence

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1.0 Introduction

This Field Sampling Plan (FSP) identifies the data collection activities and associated quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) measures specific to the Eastern Market-South Phase of Parcel 4 Site, located just north of the intersection of Rivard Street and Wilkins Street in Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan (the Site). All data will be generated in accordance with the quality requirements described in the Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START) III Generic Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), dated June 2006. The purpose of this FSP is to describe site-specific tasks that will be performed in support of the stated objectives. The FSP will reference back to the QAPP for generic tasks common to all data collection activities including routine procedures for sampling and analysis, sample documentation, equipment decontamination, sample handling, data management, assessment and data review. Additional site-specific procedures and/or modifications to procedures described in the START III Generic QAPP are described in the following FSP elements.

This FSP is prepared, reviewed, and approved in accordance with the procedures detailed in the START III Generic QAPP. Any deviations or modifications to the approved FSP will be documented using **Table 1: FSP Revision Form**.

2.0 Project Management and FSP Distribution and Project Team Member List

Management of the Site will be as documented in the START III Generic QAPP. Refer to the START III Generic QAPP for an organizational chart, communication pathways, personnel responsibilities and qualifications, and special personnel training requirements.

The following personnel will be involved in planning and/or technical activities performed for this data collection activity. Each will receive a copy of the approved FSP. A copy of the FSP will also be retained in the Site file.

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Notes:

OSC - On-Scene Coordinator

QA - Quality Assurance

START - Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team

U.S. EPA - United States Environmental Protection Agency

3.0 Planning and Problem Definition

3.1 Problem Definition

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) tasked Weston Solutions, Inc. (WESTON®) START to perform a site assessment at the Site. The Site is the Eastern Market-South Phase of Parcel 4 Site, located in Detroit, Michigan. The U.S. EPA identified possible heavy metals and asbestos within the soils at the Site.

U.S. EPA will conduct a site assessment to investigate the conditions on Site that could pose an imminent threat to human health, welfare, and the environment.

3.2 Site History and Background

The Site is located just north of the intersection of Rivard Street and Wilkins Street (Figure 3-1). The Site's approximate geographical coordinates are 42°20′58" North latitude and 83°02′42.75" West longitude. The Site is currently an open grassy lot with no buildings or structures upon it. Historical aerial images show that no structures, at the very least, have been at the Site since 1999. The property is bordered to the North by commercial properties, to the South by Wilkins Street and commercial properties, to the East by Rivard Street and commercial properties, and to the West by Chrysler Drive and I-75. The Site has no perimeter fencing or obstructions to deter people or wildlife from entering the property and a school is located 0.4 miles west of the Site.

On May 13, 2010, U.S. EPA, START, and the City of Detroit conducted a windshield survey of the property and observed the current status of the Site. The site is currently a vacant parcel with vegetation and no buildings.

3.3 Contaminants of Concern/Target Analytes

The contaminants of concern at the Site include but are not limited to heavy metals and asbestos which are present in soil. WESTON START will collect up to ten soil samples for laboratory analysis to determine the level of contaminants and potential hazardous waste characteristics of the soil. Based on field observations and x-ray fluorescence (XRF) readings, soil samples may be collected and analyzed for:

- Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) Metals; and
- Target Analyte List (TAL) Metals.

Based on site observations, additional samples may be collected for asbestos analysis.

4.0 Project Description and Schedule

The site assessment will consist of tasks necessary to document and characterize threats posed to human health and the environment at the Site. Specifically the following tasks will be performed:

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- Site reconnaissance, including photo and written documentation of site conditions and potential hazardous waste.
- Use of U.S. EPA's Visual Sampling Plan (VSP) software to establish the number and locations of soil samples necessary to identify heavy metal contaminants with a specified level of confidence.
- XRF screening in combination with the US. EPA's Rapid Assessment Tools (RAT) data management and mapping software at various locations throughout the Site to field screen for heavy metals in soil.
- Sample Site surface soil (0-3 inches) at locations where XRF metal results are elevated or visual observations indicate the need for laboratory analysis.

A commercial laboratory will be utilized for analytical services. WESTON START will provide sample coordination including laboratory procurement and sample shipment. Sample labels and chain of custody (COC) paperwork will be generated by WESTON START. Samples will be packaged properly by WESTON START and shipped by overnight courier, or transported directly to the laboratory. The turn-around time for the sample data will be 10 business days. The sample results will be reviewed and validated by a WESTON START chemist within 2 weeks of data receipt from the laboratory.

The sampling design is provided below in Section 6.0.

U.S. EPA and WESTON START will begin the site assessment on Monday, June 28, 2010. The site assessment is expected to take one day.

5.0 Project Quality Objectives

5.1 Project Objectives

The objective of sampling activities is to determine if the concentrations of contaminants in the soil pose a threat to human health and the environment.

The objectives for this investigation include:

- Identify the constituents and characteristic properties of soil at the Site;
- Determine if a removal action is warranted based on National Contingency Plan (NCP) criteria and, if so, whether the response should be classified as emergency, time-critical, or non time critical;
- Rapidly assess and evaluate the urgency, magnitude, extent, and effects of a release, or threatened release, of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants identified and their affects on human health and/or the environment;
- Supply the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry or others with information about the nature and magnitude of any health threats associated with the identified I:\WO\START3\1065\42007FSP.DOC

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threats;

- Support subsequent public health advisories; and
- Determine a remedy to eliminate, reduce, or control risks to human health and the environment and to support an Action Memorandum documenting the identified removal approach.

5.2 Measurement and Performance Criteria

Generic measurement and performance criteria described in the START III Generic QAPP will be used to ensure that data are sufficiently sensitive, precise, accurate, and representative to support site decisions.

5.3 Data Quality Objectives

Data quality objectives address requirements that include when, where, and how to collect samples, the number of samples, and the limits on tolerable error rates. These steps should periodically be revisited as new information about a problem is learned. Sections 4.0 and 6.0 address these objectives.

In addition, data quality objectives address the analytical screening levels to be used to make decisions. The soil sampling results for TCLP Metals will be compared to the hazardous waste criteria outlined in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 261.24 to determine whether an emergency response is needed pursuant to 40 CFR 300.415. Target analyte list (TAL) Metals and results from the XRF will be compared to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (MDNRE) Part 201 Residential Direct Contact criteria or other criteria as deemed appropriate. Asbestos sample results will be evaluated based on the percentage and type of fibers identified.

6.0 Sampling Design

WESTON START will perform the Site activities detailed in the following subsections.

6.1 Sample Collection

WESTON START will utilize the sampling design that was generated by the VSP software for the site to identify the XRF screening and potential sample locations. The VSP software identified four sampling locations to identify a hotspot of a 50-foot radius with a 95 percent probability. The Attachment contains the VSP software results. Figure 2 shows the proposed sampling locations. A combination of the RAT/XRF tools will be used to screen the surface at each pre-determined location. A shovel and/or plastic scoop will be utilized to remove any vegetation or debris and create a flat surface in order to collect an accurate XRF reading. Four XRF screenings will be collected from the site.

Based on the XRF screening results, WESTON START will collect surface soil samples from the Site. The locations of the samples will be determined in the field based on elevated levels on the XRF. Surface soil samples will be collected from 0 to 3 inches below grade at each selected location and will be submitted for laboratory analysis and analyzed for TCLP metals and TAL Metals. A 10 business day turnaround time will be required from the laboratory.

No background, extent of contamination (of the native soil), nor confirmation samples will be collected as part of this sampling activity. The samples will be collected to verify the presence of metal contamination (and possibly asbestos) at the Site. Additional biased screening may be conducted at the discretion of the OSC – which may include non-vegetated areas and/or suspect contaminated areas. Samples for asbestos will be collected based on visual observations.

Soil samples will be collected from the soil on Site. The sample locations will be clearly marked using a pin-flag. A clean stainless-steel or disposable plastic scoop will be used to collect the soil samples. The sample containers will be filled directly from the soil sampling scoop provided the soil appears homogenous. If the soil does not appear reasonably homogenous; then the soil gathered for the sample will be homogenized inside a plastic baggie prior to filling the laboratory-supplied jar; and any large debris fragments will be removed. Up to ten soil samples and one duplicate sample will be collected and analyzed for TCLP Metals, TAL Metals, and asbestos.

The sample container, volume, and preservation requirements are presented in **Table 2:** Sampling and Analysis Summary.

6.2 Sample Numbering System

All samples for XRF screening and analysis, including QC samples, will be given a unique sample number. The sample numbers will be recorded in the field logbook and logged by the RAT software.

WESTON START will assign each sample a project sample number. The project sample number highlights the suspected contaminated area and location, and will be used for documentation purposes in field logbooks, as well as for presentation of the analytical data in memoranda and reports. The project sample numbering system will be composed of the components below.

Project Identifier

The first part of the project sample numbering system will be the three-character designation EMS to identify the sampling site, Eastern Market-South Phase of Parcel 4.

Sequence Identifier

This shall consist of a two-digit sequence number that tracks the number of samples collected from the Site for a particular matrix. Sequence 01 refers to the first sample, and sequence 02

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refers to the second sample, and so on.

Sample Date

This shall consist of a six digit date. For example, "062810" for June 28, 2010. Duplicate samples will include "D" at the end of the six digit date.

Examples of the sample identifications for the Site are as follows:

- EMS-01-062810: First surface soil sample collected from the Eastern Market-South Phase of Parcel 4 Site on June 28, 2010
- EMS-03-062810D: Duplicate of third surface soil sample collected from the Eastern Market-South Phase of Parcel 4 Site on June 28, 2010.

6.3 Management of Investigation-Derived Wastes

For purposes of this FSP, investigation-derived wastes are defined as any byproduct of the field activities that is suspected or known to be contaminated with hazardous substances. The performance of field activities will produce waste products, such as spent sampling supplies (e.g., scoops, zip-lock bags), and expendable Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). All waste generated during the site assessment will be placed in trash bags and disposed of. Although not anticipated, if non dedicated sampling equipment (e.g., bucket auger) is used for sample collection, decontamination water will be generated. All decontamination water generated during the site assessment will be stored in drums or five-gallon buckets and left on-site in a staging area with U.S. EPA approval. If required, disposal arrangements will be executed in accordance with appropriate local, state, or federal regulations. WESTON START will refer to the U.S. EPA's Management of Investigation-Derived Wastes During Site Inspections (U.S. EPA, 1991) guidance on off-site disposal policies, if this action is deemed necessary.

7.0 Sampling Procedures

7.1 Sampling Standard Operating Procedures

The following WESTON Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) will be used during the site evaluation:

- SOP003 Removal Assessment
- SOP101 Logbook Documentation
- SOP102 Field Notes
- SOP103 Chain-of-Custody Documentation
- SOP104 Photographic and Video Documentation
- SOP301 Decontamination Procedures
- SOP 302 Surface Soil Sampling

7.2 Decontamination Procedures

General decontamination procedures are described in Section B.2 of the START III Generic QAPP.

The following standard decontamination protocols will be used:

• All disposable sampling supplies and PPE will be bagged and sealed. If left on site, the trash bag will be labeled identifying the contents.

8.0 Sample Handling, Tracking, and Custody Procedures

All samples will be identified, handled, shipped, tracked, and maintained under COC, in accordance with START III Generic QAPP Section B.3.

9.0 Field Analytical Methods and Procedures

9.1 Field Analytical Methods and SOP

Field analytical methods will not be employed during the site assessment. All analytical methods will be performed by a commercial laboratory and are presented in Table 2 of this report.

9.2 Field Testing Laboratory

A field testing laboratory will not be used during the site assessment.

9.3 Screening/Confirmatory Analyses

XRF screening will be used when sampling surface soil to assist in identification of sample locations. All samples will be sent to the laboratory for characterization.

10.0 Fixed Laboratory Analytical Methods and Procedures

U.S. EPA-certified commercial laboratories will be used. The laboratory name, address, contact person, telephone number, and fax number are as follows:

Tri Matrix Laboratories 5560 Corporate Exchange Court Grand Rapids, Michigan 49512 616.846.9528 616.846.9541 Fax Contact: Lisa Harvey EMSL Analytical 2001 E. 52nd Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46205 866.736.4824 317.803.3047 Contact: Paul Viemann

The analytical methods are detailed in Table 2 of this FSP.

11.0 Quality Control Activities

11.1 Field Quality Control

Field QC samples will be collected and analyzed for this project at the frequency described in START III Generic QAPP, Table 4. The number of QC samples collected for each analytical parameter and concentration level are listed in **Table 2: Sampling and Analysis Summary.**

11.2 Analytical Quality Control

QC for analytical procedures will be performed at the frequency described in *START III Generic QAPP*, Tables 5 and 6. In addition, method-specific QC requirements will be used to ensure data quality.

11.3 Performance Evaluation Samples

Performance evaluation samples will not be collected during this sampling event.

12.0 Documentation, Records, and Data Management

Documentation, record keeping, and data management activities will be conducted in accordance with the START III Generic OAPP, Section B.10.

13.0 Quality Assurance Assessment and Corrective Actions

No field audits will be conducted due to the short-term (one day) sampling activity.

14.0 Reports to Management

Reports to management will be written and distributed in accordance with the START III Generic QAPP, Section C.

15.0 Steps 1, 2 and 3: Data Review Requirements and Procedures

- Step 1: Data collection activities, including sample collection and data generation, will be verified in accordance with the START III Generic QAPP, Section D.
- Step 2: Data will be validated in accordance with the START III Generic QAPP, Section D. A WESTON START chemist will validate the data.
- Step 3: Data will be reviewed for usability in accordance with the START III Generic QAPP, Section D.

TABLES

Table 1 FSP Revision Form

Site: Eastern Market - South Phase of Parcel 4, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan

OSC: Tricia Edwards **TDD:** S05-0001-1005-032

Date	Rev. No.	Proposed Change to FSP/QAPP	Reason for Change of Scope/Procedures	FSP Section Superseded	Requested By	Approved By
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Table 2 Sampling and Analysis Summary

Site: Eastern Market - South Phase of Parcel 4, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan

OSC: Tricia Edwards TDD: S05-0001-1005-032

Matrix	Analytical Parameter	Analytical Method (SW-846)	Containers (Numbers, Size, and Type)	Preservation Requirements	No. of Sampling Locations	No. of Field Duplicates	No. of MS/MSD Pair or Spike / Duplicates	No. of VOA Trip Blanks	No. of Equip./ Rinsate Blanks	Total No. of Samples to Lab
Soil	TCLP Metals	1311/6010B/7 470A	8-ounce glass jar	Ice, Cool to 4°C	10	1	1	0	0	11
	TAL Metals	6010B/7471A	4-ounce glass jar	Ice, Cool to 4°C	10	1	1	0	0	11
10 °	Asbestos	CARB 435 /Method 600/R-93/116	Ziploc bag	None	10	1	0	0	0	11

Notes:

°C - Degrees Celsius

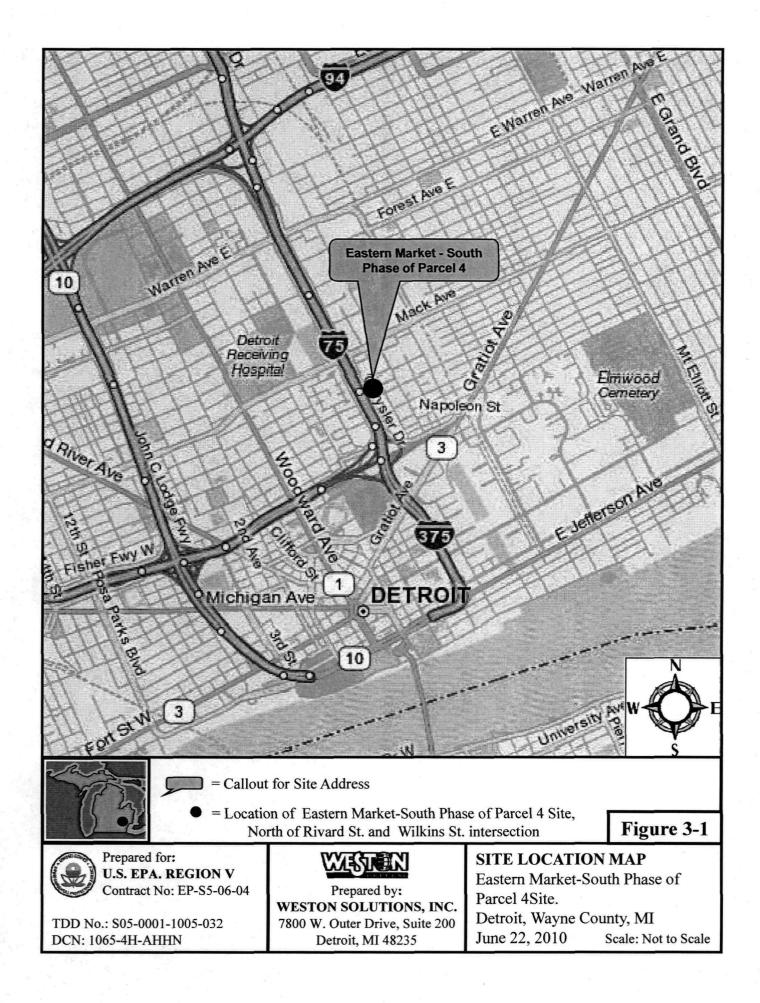
Equip. – Equipment No. – Number

Oz. - Ounce

TCLP - Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure

TAL - Total Analyte List

FIGURES



ATTACHMENT VISUAL SAMPLING PLAN SUMMARY REPORT

Systematic sampling locations for detecting an area of elevated values (hot spot)

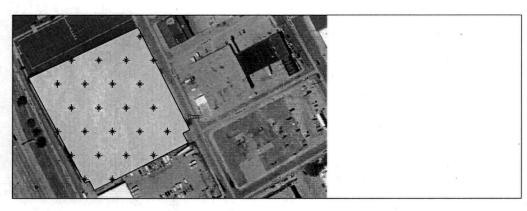
This report summarizes the sampling design used, associated statistical assumptions, as well as general guidelines for conducting post-sampling data analysis. Sampling plan components presented here include how many sampling locations to choose and where within the sampling area to collect those samples. The type of medium to sample (e.g., soil, groundwater, etc.) and how to analyze the samples (in-situ, fixed laboratory, etc.) are addressed in other sections of the sampling plan.

The following table summarizes the sampling design developed. A figure that shows sampling locations in the field and a table that lists sampling location coordinates are also provided below.

SUMMARY OF	SUMMARY OF SAMPLING DESIGN				
Primary Objective of Design	Detect the presence of a hot spot that has a specified size and shape				
Type of Sampling Design	Hot spot accounting for false negatives				
Sample Placement (Location) in the Field	Systematic (Hot Spot) with a random start location				
Formula for calculating number of sampling locations	Algorithm developed by Sego and Wilson (2007)				
Calculated total number of samples	24				
Type of samples	Point Samples				
Number of samples on map ^a	24				
Number of selected sample areas b	1				
Specified sampling area ^c	162061.12 ft ²				
Grid pattern	Triangular				
Size of grid / Area of grid ^d	90.0879 feet / 7028.51 ft ²				
Total cost of sampling ^e	\$13,000.00				

^a This number may differ from the calculated number because of 1) grid edge effects, 2) adding judgment samples, or 3) selecting or unselecting sample areas.

^e Including measurement analyses and fixed overhead costs. See the Cost of Sampling section for an explanation of the costs presented here.



^b The number of selected sample areas is the number of colored areas on the map of the site. These sample areas contain the locations where samples are collected.

^c The sampling area is the total surface area of the selected colored sample areas on the map of the site.

^d Size of grid / Area of grid gives the linear and square dimensions of the grid spacing used to systematically place samples.

X Coord	Y Coord	Label	Value	Туре	Historical
13480417.0961	312160.4763			Hotspot	
13480507.1840	312160.4763	`-		Hotspot	
13480372.0522	312238.4947			Hotspot	
13480462.1401	312238.4947			Hotspot	
13480552.2280	312238.4947	4		Hotspot	
13480642.3159	312238.4947			Hotspot	
13480327.0082	312316.5131			Hotspot	
13480417.0961	312316.5131			Hotspot	
13480507.1840	312316.5131			Hotspot	
13480597.2719	312316.5131			Hotspot	
13480687.3598	312316.5131			Hotspot	
13480372.0522	312394.5315			Hotspot	
13480462.1401	312394.5315			Hotspot	
13480552.2280	312394.5315			Hotspot	
13480642.3159	312394.5315			Hotspot	
13480327.0082	312472.5499			Hotspot	
13480417.0961	312472.5499			Hotspot	
13480507.1840	312472.5499			Hotspot	
13480597.2719	312472.5499			Hotspot	
13480372.0522	312550.5683			Hotspot	
13480462.1401	312550.5683			Hotspot	
13480552.2280	312550.5683			Hotspot	
13480642.3159	312550.5683			Hotspot	
13480597.2719	312628.5867			Hotspot	19

Primary Sampling Objective

The primary purpose of sampling at this site is to detect "hot spots" (local areas of elevated concentration) of a given size and shape with a specified probability, $1-\beta$.

Selected Sampling Approach

This sampling approach requires systematic grid sampling with a random start. If a systematic grid is not used, the probability of detecting a hot spot of a given size and shape will be different than desired or calculated.

Number of Total Samples: Calculation Equation and Inputs

The algorithm used to calculate the probability of a hit (which makes possible the calculation of the hot spot size or the number of samples) was developed by Sego and Wilson (2007), which builds upon the approach of Singer and Wickman (1969). Gilbert (1987) also discussed hotspot sampling designs. Inputs to the algorithm include the radius of the circular hot spot of interest, an acceptable probability of finding a hot spot, the false negative error rate, the desired type of sampling grid, and the sampling budget. For this design, the grid size was calculated based on the given circular hot spot size and other parameters.

The inputs to the algorithm that result in the grid size are:

Parameter	Description	Value
Inputs		
1-β	Probability of detection	95%

η	False negative error rate	5%
Grid Type	Grid pattern (Square, Triangular or Rectangular)	Triangular
Hot Spot Size	Radius of hot spot	50 feet
Hot Spot Area a	Area of hot spot (Radius² * π)	7853.98 ft ²
Sampling Area	Total area to sample	162061.12 ft ²
Outputs		
Grid Size	Spacing between samples	90.0879 feet
Grid Area	Area represented by one grid	7028.51 ft ²
Samples b	Optimum number of samples	23.0577

^a Radius of the hot spot is used by the algorithm. Hot spot area is provided for informational purposes.

^b The optimum number of samples is calculated by dividing the sampling area by the grid area.

Assumptions that Underlie the VSP Locating a Hot Spot Design Method

- The shape of the hot spot of concern is circular.
- The level of contamination that defines a hot spot is well defined.
- The location of the hot spot is unknown, and if a hot spot is present, all locations within the sampling area are equally likely to contain the hot spot.
- 4. Samples are taken on a square, rectangular or triangular grid pattern.
- Each sample is collected, handled, measured or inspected using approved methods that yield unbiased and sufficiently precise measurements.
- A very small proportion of the surface being studied will be sampled (the sample is much smaller than the hot spot of interest).
- 7. Sample locations are independent of the measurement process.
- 8. The systematic grid is placed at a randomly determined starting place to cover the surface area of interest.
- 9. There are no false positives (a clean area is not mistakenly identified as a hot spot).
- The false negative error rate is known and is the same for all measurements.

For quantitative samples, the false negative error rate is the probability that a sample measurement indicates that contamination is below the acceptable threshold, when, in fact, it is at or above the threshold. For presence/absence measurements, the false negative error rate is the probability the sample does not detect contamination when it is present.

Sensitivity Analysis

The sensitivity of the calculation of number of samples was explored by varying the probability of hit (%), radius of the hot spot and total sampling area. The following table shows the results of this analysis.

Number of Samples							
		Area=81030.6	Area=162061	Area=243092			
	r=25	40	80	120			
1-β=90	r=50	10	20	30			
	r=75	5	9	14			
	r=25	47	93	139			
1-β=95	r=50	12	24	35			
	r=75	6	11	16			
4	r=25	599	1198	1797			
1-β=100	r=50	150	300	450			
	r=75	67	134	200			

1-β = Probability of Hit (%)

r = Radius of the Hot Spot Area = Total Sampling Area

Cost of Sampling

The total cost of the completed sampling program depends on several cost inputs, some of which are fixed, and others that are based on the number of samples collected and measured. Based on the numbers of samples determined above, the estimated total cost of sampling and analysis at this site is \$13,000.00, which averages out to a per sample cost of \$541.67. The following table summarizes the inputs and resulting cost estimates.

COST INFORMATION						
Cost Details	Per Analysis	Per Sample	24 Samples			
Field collection costs		\$100.00	\$2,400.00			
Analytical costs	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$9,600.00			
Sum of Field & Analytical costs		\$500.00	\$12,000.00			
Fixed planning and validation costs			\$1,000.00			
Total cost			\$13,000.00			

Recommended Data Analysis Activities

Post data collection activities generally follow those outlined in EPA's Guidance for Data Quality Assessment (EPA, 2006). The data analysts will become familiar with the context of the problem and goals for data collection and assessment. The data will be verified and validated before being subjected to statistical or other analyses. Graphical and analytical tools will be used to verify to the extent possible the assumptions of any statistical analyses that are performed as well as to achieve a general understanding of the data. The data will be assessed to determine whether they are adequate in both quality and quantity to support the primary objective of sampling.

A map of the actual sample locations will be generated so that the sampling plan and the field implementation may be compared. Deviations from planned sample locations due to topographic, vegetative, or other features will be noted. Their impacts will be qualitatively assessed. If a hot spot is discovered, additional sampling may be performed to determine its size and shape, in which case, the initial assumptions of the sampling design may then be assessed and/or reconsidered.

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